



# BALLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF MEETING ON Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025

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| 1  | <b>Members present:</b> I Williams, P Johnson, R Arkell, S Mackay,<br><b>In Attendance:</b> 1 member of the public <b>Apologies:</b> Cllr Robertson, M Stuart                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2  | <b>Minutes of Previous Meeting :</b> <b>Proposed:</b> S MacKay <b>Seconded:</b> P Johnson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2  | <p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p><b>Cherry Park Road markings</b> – awaiting final plan – Cllr Reid to update.</p> <p><b>Planning</b> – application for pods – ongoing, awaiting update from Cllr Robertson.</p> <p><b>Woodland Paths</b> – IW to contact FLS again to request that the main path from the bus turning circle is cleared.</p> <p><b>Traffic Calming Measures</b> – IW to contact Lisa Mackellaich regarding Culloden Road and above the bridge. R Gray has investigated developer contributions and if any would be available for calming measures – committee unsure.</p> <p><b>Fiddlers Burn</b> – Cllr Reid to pursue meeting with Scottish Water and Highland Council – ongoing.</p> <p><b>Beetles</b> – disappeared once the temperature dropped. Received an email from Moray Estates stating that no insects are used as part of their control programmes. Suggested it was mother nature.</p> <p><b>Speeding checks</b> – to be undertaken this week.</p> <p><b>Grit Bin</b> – information sent to resident. BCC would support any application made.</p> <p><b>Path to Bus Stop</b> – ongoing – committee felt that a solution is needed due to increased use of the bus stops at the bottom of the hill. Changes to timetables have meant more residents walk to the Wellside bus stop.</p> |
| 3  | <b>Feabuie Groundworks</b> – enforcement officer has confirmed that the work undertaken has been for drainage issues, no building work has or is planned to take place. No action by HC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4  | <b>Community Woodland</b> – IW to contact Culloden Academy to see if they would like to help clearing and developing the woodland.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 5  | <b>Chapelton Development</b> – drainage seems to be working and good finish to works.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 6  | <b>Place Plan</b> – 3 comments left on the Facebook post. Main wants were no more houses, allotments and a comment on last survey and no action. The last consultation was carried out by Balloch Village Trust (BVT) who worked extremely hard to gauge opinions. BVT is currently dormant due to lack of volunteers. Place Plan starting place seems to be from the map of the area and deciding options for land around Balloch. Ongoing discussion and frustration at the lack of progress with land adjacent to the hall and the school. IW to contact hall committee regarding plan.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5  | <b>Highland Councillors Report;</b><br><b>No councillors present</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 8  | <b>CHAIR REPORT –</b><br>Croy community council have organised a meeting regarding the speeding issues on the B9009. This includes the junction around the Culloden Moor Inn. IW and SM to attend.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 9  | <b>Treasurer</b> – no report. Annual Grant has been paid to BCC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10 | <b>Secretary Report -</b><br>C Stephen has resigned from the Community Council with immediate effect.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 11 | <p><b>AOB –</b></p> <p>RA - increased traffic on A96 meaning large queues heading towards the double lane after Tesco roundabout. Seems to be getting worse and happening even during ‘quiet’ times. Ongoing – to be raised with Councillors.</p> <p>Thank you to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Inverness Crown Scouts who undertook a litter pick around the new trim trail and wooded area. A brilliant gesture.</p> <p>SM – fence panels around the pitch. These have been removed as they were broken and the suggestion is that they will not be replaced. This creates a safety issue for children and classes from the school using the area. RA to email Cllr Reid regarding this.</p> <p>Abandoned vehicle in layby before the Culloden Moor Inn junction. RA to email Cllr Macpherson.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 12 | <b>Next Meeting – 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

